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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Yoshiaki Takahashi, et al.

Serial No.: 09/822,942

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Title: "Friction Reducing Ship and Method for Reducing Frictional Resistance"

Docket No.: 33463

LETTER

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Sir/Madam:

This response is filed in response to the Notice to File Missing Parts dated June 13, 2001. The two month period for responding to the Notice expired on August 13, 2001. Accordingly, applicants respectfully request and petition that the response date be extended, for one month, up to and including September 13, 2001. The \$110.00 extension of time fee is enclosed.

Further, applicant encloses herewith the required Declaration and Power of Attorney. The \$130.00 late filing fee surcharge for the declaration is enclosed.

Applicant encloses herewith the required English Translation of Specifications, with

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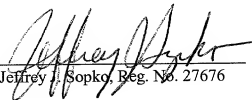
formal drawings attached. The \$130.00 non-English specification surcharge was paid on March 30, 2001. In addition to the fees mentioned above, also enclosed is \$1,126.00 to cover fees resulting from the addition of 2 claims, 10 independent claims and multiple dependent claims.

If there are any further fees resulting from this communication not covered by the enclosed check, or if no check was enclosed, please charge the same to Deposit Account No. 16-0820, Order No. 33463.

Respectfully submitted,

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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The application was filed in a language other than English. Applicant is required to provide an English translation of the specification and a statement that the translation is accurate. (See 37 CFR 1.52(d)).
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.**
- Because your specification was filed in a language other than English, the Office was unable to determine the number of claims submitted. Additional claim fees may be due once the number of claims can be determined.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
 - drawing figures contain text that is not in English (including, for example, a flow chart that was originally not in English that has been marked up to include the English text) see 37 CFR 1.84(p)(2) and 37 CFR 1.52(d)(1);

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.



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DECLARATION

I, Noboru Yoshida of c/o SHIGA INTERNATIONAL PATENT OFFICE, OR Building, 23-3, Takadanobaba 3-chome, Shinjuku-ku, Tokyo, Japan, understand both English and Japanese, am the translator of the English document attached, and do hereby declare and state that the attached English document contains an accurate translation of the Japanese specification filed on March 30, 2001, under the filing number 09/822,942, and that all statements made herein are true to the best of my knowledge.

Declared in Tokyo, Japan

This 29th day of August, 2001

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